

# Reading 2007, Grade 8

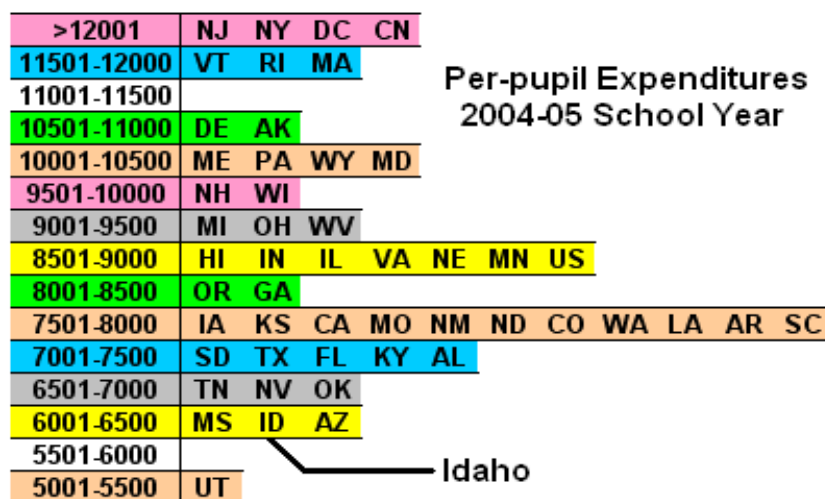
## Reading Composite

### Idaho NAEP Snapshot

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The Reading assessment of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) used multiple-choice and constructed-response items to examine comprehension in three contexts: Reading for Literary Experience, Reading to Be Informed, and Reading to Perform a Task. Reading scale scores are 0 to 500, where 243 is *Basic* (meets grade-level expectation), 281 is *Proficient*, and 323 is *Advanced*.

### Per-Pupil Expenditures for School Year 2004-2005



Source: U.S. Department of Education, Common Core of Data

Idaho was one of seven states reporting per pupil expenditures of \$7,000 or less for the 2004-05 school year (most recent data available).

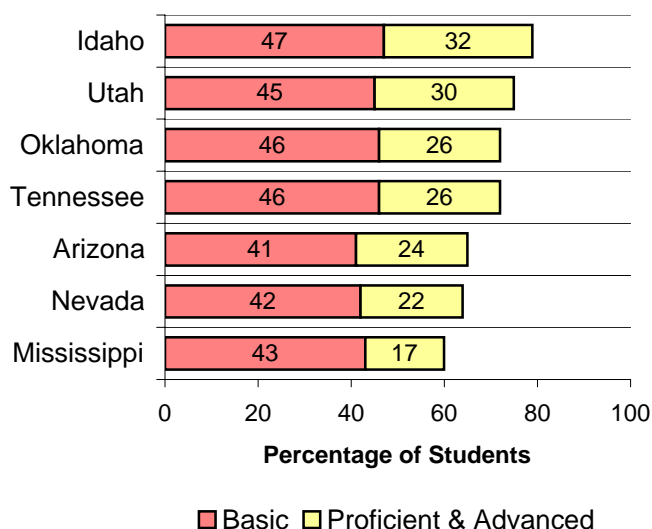
The other six states were Arizona, Mississippi, Nevada, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Utah.

NOTE: The expenditures included salaries, employee benefits, purchased services, and supplies, but excluded capital outlay, debt service, facilities acquisition and construction, and equipment.

### Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Grade-Level Expectations

♦ Seventy-eight (78) percent of Idaho 8th graders scored at or above *Basic* on the 2007 reading assessment. This was higher than the nation's seventy-three (73) percent.

♦ Idaho had a higher percentage of 8th graders scoring at or above *Basic* on the 2007 reading assessment than the six other states with similar per-pupil expenditures including Utah, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Arizona, Nevada and Mississippi.



Comparisons are based on statistical tests (.05 level) that consider magnitude of difference and standard errors.

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